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TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIA

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THREE CAMELLIA TYPE TUBEROUS BEGONIAS

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Unlike many Begonias, they are desired for their beautiful flowers rather than their foliage. The blooms come in a variety of types which seem to imitate many of our popular flowers.

Tuberous Begonias find their origin in the Andes of South America. They were introduced into Europe in the middle of the nineteenth century. There are records of half-hardy types from the Cape of Good Hope, China, Japan, and Java; but the ancestors of the hardy type which is becoming increasingly popular each year came from Peru, Bolivia, and Ecuador.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Starting Tubers—Place the bulbs close together, concave side up, in a flat of one part sand and two parts screened leaf-mold, or peat moss. The top of the bulbs should be showing. Place in a dark warm location, and water lightly until growth starts. When the sprouts are 2 inches high, they should be brought out to the light to harden, and then transplanted to either pots or to beds.

Pot Culture—The potting mixture is the same as the starting mixture with the addition of one-third well rotted manure. Be sure the mixture has very good drainage. Plant the tuber so that the top barely shows above the soil. Water often enough to keep soil mixture damp but not soggy wet. Fertilize each two weeks with a weak solution of manure tea.

Bedding Culture—Using the same mixture as when potting, plant the bulbs 2 inches below the ground level. Irrigate thoroughly once a week and fertilize with weak manure tea every other week.

Saving the Tubers—After the first frost, take them up and place in a flat. As soon as the stems part readily from the bulbs, clean the bulbs and store in dry sawdust or sand in a cool location, 40 to 50 deg. F., until the next spring.

TYPES OFFERED

Double—Many rows of petals, flowers imitate Camellias and Roses.

Fimbriata—Double and ruffled, the Carnation type.

Giant Single—Plain with extremely large flowers.

Frilled—Giant singles with the edges of the petals ruffled.

Crested—Giant singles with false or part petals cresting the center of the flower.

Lloydii—Single and double mixed trailing plants which are used for hanging baskets and window boxes.

Marmorata—Variegated red and white in double type.

COLORS OFFERED

Lloydii in mixed colors only. The other types in the following separate colors: Pink, yellow, orange, scarlet, white, salmon, and crimson.

PRICES

Ten bulbs, all different, \$1.00, or 24 bulbs, all different, \$2.00. Eight bulbs of your choice, labeled, for \$1.00, or 20 labeled bulbs for \$2.00.

RANUNCULUS ASIATICUS

Florist's Ranunculus

Our Giant Superba strain produces double and semi-double flowers of unusual size and will bloom within ten or twelve weeks after planting.

In climates of mild winters where the ground is seldom frozen, these bulbs may be planted any time from the middle of August until the first of May. In colder climates, plant after the spring thaw, or in your conservatory so that they may be transplanted as soon as the ground thaws. Where the springs are cool the bulbs may be planted as late as the first of June.

RANUNCULUS PRICES, SPRING 1938

Mixed colors, red, pink, orange, yellow and white.

Grade	Size bulb	For \$1.00	For \$2.00	Per M bulbs
No. 1	Large	40 bulbs	90 bulbs	\$18.00
No. 2	Medium	70 bulbs	160 bulbs	10.00
No. 3	Small	100 bulbs	225 bulbs	6.00

(All prices postpaid.)

Separate Colors—We have red or yellow in pure colors. Grade No. 2 bulbs, 40 for \$1.00; 90 for \$2.00; 1M, \$18.00.

Grade No. 1 bulbs will produce a larger number of flowers per bulb and are recommended where your planting space is small. Grade No. 2 bulbs are larger than those I sold last season and are recommended as the most satisfactory size for the amateur gardener. Grade No. 3 are best where your area is large and you are willing to give the plants more care. All three grades will produce flowers of the same size, but the larger the bulb, the more flowers per bulb with the same amount of care.



GIANT SUPERBA RANUNCULUS

Ranunculus and Anemone Cultural Instructions

Read carefully before planting.

Soil—Sandy loam with plenty of drainage.

Fertilizer—Well rotted manure in soil prior to planting—manure tea or dilute solutions of commercials at about two week intervals during the growing season.

Planting—Soak bulbs three to five hours in cool water and then plant with prongs down, 2 inches deep and 4 inches apart.

Watering—Water frequently and thoroughly so that bulbs never suffer for want of water. The good drainage required will prevent their rotting.

Blooms—Cutting blooms will increase your yield, and does not injure the bulb. A slight shade during the blooming season will increase the size of the flowers.

Saving Bulbs—When the leaves turn yellow and start to become dry, dig your bulbs and dry them out in a cool dry place. Use your bulbs for two years and then discard, for new ones will give you much better results.



ANEMONE CORONARIA

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Poppy Anemone

Beautiful poppy-like flowers which are popular because of their long blooming period, individual beauty, and value as a cut flower. They appear as single ranunculus and are often planted with them, as they furnish the blue not found among the ranunculus.

ANEMONE VARIETIES AND PRICES, SPRING 1938

Giant French De Caen—Mixed colors, single, large flowered.

His Excellency—Brilliant red, single, large flowered.

Blue Poppy—Blue, single, very large flowered.

St. Brigid or Creagh Castle — Mixed colors, double flowered.

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(All prices postpaid.)

Here Is Something New

WHITE ANEMONE CORONARIA—Pure White

Grade No. 2—40 bulbs, \$1; 90 bulbs, \$2, postpaid.
Only a limited supply.



TRANSVAAL DAISIES

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(Gerbera jamisonii)

Ready March 1st.

Distinctive single daisies on long graceful stems in a color range of yellow, salmon, red, brick, orange, white, magenta and pink. The blooms are very beautiful and generally large, some of them measuring 5 to 6 inches in diameter. They make an ideal garden flower, and do well for cutting, as they often last two weeks in the home.

Eight sturdy divisions, all different.....\$1.00
 Twenty divisions 2.00

Or choose your own colors.

Five divisions, labeled as to color..... 1.00
 Twelve divisions, labeled as to color..... 2.00

The New Double Gerberas
 We Offer Divisions of the New Double Gerberas
 1 division, 40c. 3 plants, \$1.00.

GERBERA SEED

Seed from our growing field of selected stock. Seeds are good only when fresh. Fresh seed available after April 15th. Packet, 25c.

Planting Instructions for Gerberas

Plant Gerberas in sandy soil, with the crown or body of the plant above the ground level. Shade for the first two weeks and water thoroughly. The plants should be located in full sun.

Water thoroughly by irrigation once each week or ten days after the plant becomes established. To water more frequently will grow many greens but few flowers.

Fertilize lightly once a month with animal manure.

Pick flowers often. If picked just before they come to full

bloom the flowers will last at least two weeks in the home.

To save plants in winter mulch with at least 8 inches of litter, uncovering as soon as danger of severe frost is past in the spring.

SALVIA PITCHERI

Most beautiful of all the blue sages. A deciduous perennial with long racemes of flowers, of a deep delphinium blue. The small plants we offer will grow into large plants several feet tall by next August and September, when they will be a mass of bloom. Small plants, 35c each; 3 plants, \$1.00.

MEYER LEMONS

Recently introduced from China. A dwarf tree (or bush) which bears fruit very young. Ready April 1, 1938.

Can be grown ANYWHERE! Imagine growing and picking lemons in your own home. The dwarf characteristics of these lemons allows them to be grown in pots. Accordingly, they may be taken indoors or placed in conservatories in climates where the winters are severe, and then returned to the yard, porch or patio during the balance of the year.

Ornamental Value—These plants have shiny dark green leaves with deep orange oval shaped lemons and sweetly scented flowers larger than orange blossoms. They make ideal house plants, or porch and garden specimens.

Quality and Use of Fruit—Meyer lemons bear a large fruit of exceptional quality which may be used for the same purposes as the ordinary commercial lemons.

Size of Plants Offered—Only one-year plants out of 4-inch pots are offered this spring. These plants should bloom and set fruit this coming summer. The illustration at the right is of a three-year-old plant. Note the half matured fruit.

Cultural Instructions—Plant in any good garden loam, which allows fair drainage. Plant in 5-inch pots upon receipt. When the 5-inch pot becomes slightly root bound transfer to a pot one inch larger, and so on. It does not hurt these plants to become slightly pot bound.

Fertilize frequently but lightly with any good commercial plant food.

Water often enough so the plant never suffers from drought.

Meyer Lemon plants out of 4-inch pots, \$2.50 each, postpaid to any point in the United States.



THREE-YEAR-OLD TREE MEYER LEMON.
 NOTE THE FRUIT.

COMBINATION OFFERS

BULB OFFER A-38

70 Ranunculus No. 2 \$1.00

70 Anemones No. 2 1.00

Pay Only \$1.75 for \$2.00 Value

COMBINATION OFFER D-38

70 Ranunculus No. 2 \$1.00

70 Anemones No. 2 1.00

10 Tuberous Begonias 1.00

3 Salvia Pitcheri 1.00

8 Gerberas 1.00

1 Meyer Lemon 2.50

Pay Only \$6.50 for \$7.50 Value

BULB OFFER B-38

70 Ranunculus No. 2 \$1.00

70 Anemones No. 2 1.00

10 Tuberous Begonias 1.00

Pay Only \$2.65 for \$3.00 Value

PLANT OFFER C-38

3 Salvia Pitcheri \$1.00

8 Gerbera 1.00

1 Meyer Lemon 2.50

Pay Only \$4.00 for \$4.50 Value

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SPRING OFFERINGS 1938

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